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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I work from home and having reliable internet service is essential for my job. Because of this, having local competition for ISPs allow me to pick the best, more reliable connection. I have originally was with AT&T and the speed and connection reliability was awful. This prompted me to go with a local competitor and have been with them for many years now. The big providers are trying to muscle the competition out of the market so they can continue to offer sub-par services. This needs to stop.

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